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Official meetings

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Security Council

10 a.m.	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room GA-TSC-02
	Sudan/South Sudan	
	Other matters	
Morning[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room GA-TSC-02
	UNIFIL (S/2012/632)	
	Other matters	

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

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General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

General debate
(25–28 September and 1 October 2012)

The provisional list of speakers No. 1 for the general debate of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms IN-0613 and NLB-1033). The list of speakers has also been sent directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are kindly reminded that, in accordance with existing practice at the sessions of the General Assembly, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit statement by each delegation. In order to help the speakers to follow with the time for their statement, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum.

Delegations may wish to inform their capital on this procedure.

Programme of work and agenda

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September. The provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/150, and annotations can be found in document A/67/100. A draft programme of work of the plenary for the sixty-seventh session is contained in document A/66/861, Section II.

Seating protocol

On Friday, 8 June 2012, the Secretary-General drew from among the Member States the name of Jamaica to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the sixty-seventh session. Consequently, the delegation of Jamaica will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

General Assembly

Open-ended Working Group on Ageing for the purpose of strengthening the protection of the human rights of older persons
Third working session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Existing international framework on the human rights of older persons and identification of existing gaps at the international level . . . . . [4]

Panel of experts on "Abuse and Violence"

Presentation and interactive dialogue

3–6 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Existing international framework on the human rights of older persons and identification of existing gaps at the international level . . . . . [4]

Panel of experts on "Access to Justice"

Presentation and interactive dialogue

[Delegations that have not yet done so are kindly invited to submit the names of their representatives participating in the third working session to the Secretary of the Open-ended Working Group, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org) c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Background information and other matters regarding the third working session are available on the following Web site: <http://social.un.org/ageing-working-group/index.shtml>.]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Thirtieth session

There will be closed meetings of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 23 August 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Geographic Information System laboratories (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Other meetings

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Thursday, 23 August 2012

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (Third Committee experts)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D (NLB)

Informal consultations on the preparation for the United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects (Declaration and UNPoA Implementation Plan) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Australia and Guyana)

10–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

Other activities

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Thursday, 23 August 2012

UNITAR workshop on the structure, retrieval and use of United Nations documentation (organized in cooperation with the Dag Hammarskjöld Library)

From 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; room DC1-603).]

Informal meeting on "The San José Charter on the Rights of Older Persons in Latin America and the Caribbean" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica in collaboration with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC))

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 10 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Carol Viviana Arce Echeverría, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica (e-mail carce@missioncrun.org; tel. 1 (212) 986-6373, ext. 14).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp>.

Thursday, 23 August 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

The United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects will be held from Monday, 27 August to Friday, 7 September 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

The general exchange of views (agenda item 12 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference contained in the report of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference (A/CONF.192/2012/RC/1)) is scheduled for Monday, 27 and Tuesday, 28 August.

The list of speakers for the general exchange of views *is open* until Monday, 27 August at 1 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general exchange of views should contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli, Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (e-mail cianciulli@un.org).

Delegations are kindly requested to send the credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary-General of the Conference, Mr. Daniël Prins, Office for Disarmament Affairs (220 East 42nd Street, room DN-3525) (c/o Mr. Dino Del-Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org)).

To facilitate the preparation and early distribution of the list of participants, it is also kindly requested that the information containing the names of representatives be provided in Microsoft Word or compatible format by e-mail to Mr. Dino Del-Vasto (del-vasto@un.org). This information can also be sent by fax (1 (212) 963-5305). In accordance with rule 3 of the provisional rules of procedures (A/CONF.192/2012/RC/L.2), the credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Committee on Conferences

Briefing

A briefing by the Secretariat on matters relevant to the work of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Thursday, 30 August 2012, at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room AB-0707 (Albano Building, 305 East 46th Street). All members of the Committee are invited to attend. Non-members who wish to attend as observers are requested to submit a written request to Ms. Cristina Schulz-Langendorf (schulz-langendorf@un.org).

Substantive session

The substantive session of the Committee on Conferences will be held from Tuesday, 4, to Monday, 10 September 2012, in Conference Room 5 (NLB). The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/AC.172/2012/1.

[Reports for consideration by the Committee are contained in the following documents: A/67/127 and A/AC.172/2012/L.2.]

[In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32, and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the substantive session are invited to send a request in writing to Ms. Cristina Schulz-Langendorf (schulz-langendorf@un.org).]

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties

Fifth session

The Secretary-General has the honour to inform Member States that the fifth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will take in Conference Room 4 (NLB), on Wednesday, 12, and Thursday, 13 September 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. and on Friday, 14 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The provisional agenda is available in document CRPD/CSP/2012/1.

List of speakers at the general debate

The general debate will take place on Wednesday, 12 September 2012, in the morning. To facilitate the preparation of the list of speakers which is open for inscription *until Tuesday, 4 September*, delegations are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat, at the latest by Tuesday, 4 September 2012 (5 p.m.), the relevant information, indicating the full name and title of the speaker. Inscriptions should be sent directly to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org).

Quorum

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 119 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 80 States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

Credentials

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be brought or sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org; room DC2-1314).

Accessibility

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the accessibility requirements of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For further information concerning the Conference of States Parties, please contact Mr. Guozhong Zhang, secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org); or visit <www.un.org/disabilities/default.asp?navid=46&pid=1595>.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefings

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold informal briefings in preparation for the 2012 second regular session as follows:

Friday, 24 August 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB): on the medium-term strategic plan: planned financial estimates for the period 2012-2015; and on the special focus session on the work of UNICEF in humanitarian situations; and

Wednesday, 29 August 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 6 (NLB)*: on the Report on the implementation of the modified system for allocation of regular resources for programmes.

Pre-session informal briefing

A pre-session informal briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board second regular session will be held on Tuesday, 28 August 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). An informal briefing on the Report on the implementation of strategic framework for partnerships and collaborative relationships will also be held in the same context.

Second regular session 2012

The second regular session 2012 of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 11, to Friday, 14 September 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/15.

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at the following Web site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_65200.html>. Member States as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session are requested to submit their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; fax 1 (212) 326-7096), *no later than Friday, 31 August 2012.*

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

[The upcoming second regular session 2012 will be the first PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading through the UNICEF Executive Board Web site.

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing "Documents" Web page, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board home page will provide a link to a new "In-session" Web page that will make available all supporting documentation (PowerPoint presentations, statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org). These statements will be embargoed until they are delivered; and then posted to the new "In-session" Web page on the UNICEF Executive Board Web site.]

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP, of UNFPA and UNOPS will hold informal consultations in Conference Room 6 (NLB) as indicated below. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Monday, 27 August 2012, from 3 to 4.30 p.m.: on the approach of the evaluation of the UNDP strategic plan, 2008-2013;

Wednesday, 29 August 2012, from 3 to 5 p.m.: on the UNDP programming arrangements;

Thursday, 30 August 2012, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon: on matters to be taken at the second regular session of the Board; followed by another informal consultation on draft decisions to be taken at the session, from 12 noon to 1 p.m.;

Thursday, 30 August 2012, from 3 to 5 p.m.: on the UNDP programming arrangements; and

Friday, 31 August 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: on the UNDP annual review of the financial situation, 2011.

Second regular session 2012

The second regular session 2012 of the UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 4, to Monday, 10 September 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2012/L.3. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org; fax 1 (212) 906-5634). Delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene, *no later than Wednesday, 29 August 2012*.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Asia-Pacific Group (plenary meeting)

Tuesday, 28 August 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (Third Committee experts)

Tuesday, 28 August 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB); and

Thursday, 30 August 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Meeting of the Zone of Peace and Cooperation of the South Atlantic (ZPCSA) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Uruguay)

Thursday, 30 August 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 10 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing for delegations on facilitation for the arrivals and departures of Heads of State/Government and other senior officials coming to New York for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly (organized by the United States Mission)

Wednesday, 29 August 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[Administrative officers, heads of chancery and others responsible for ensuring the smooth arrival and departure of members of their respective delegations, including VIP delegates, are strongly urged to attend. For further details please contact Mr. Thomas J. Buda, United States Mission (e-mail budat@state.gov; tel. 1 (212) 415-4407).]

UNITAR general briefing for new delegates on the work of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly

Wednesday, 12 September 2012, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB);

Thursday, 13 September 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB); and

Friday, 14 September 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to e-Books (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Tuesday, 28 August 2012.

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library (from 11 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 30 August 2012.

Introduction to United Nations documents

Friday, 31 August 2012 *(English)* (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Tuesday, 4 September 2012 *(English)* (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Tuesday, 11 September 2012 *(Spanish)*; (from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.); and

Wednesday, 12 September 2012 (*French)* (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon).

General Assembly Documentation (new)

Thursday, 6 September 2012 *(English)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Friday, 7 September 2012 *(English)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Thursday, 13 September 2012 *(Spanish)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Friday, 14 September 2012 *(French)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon); and

Wednesday, 19 September 2012 *(English)* (2.30 to 4.30 p.m.).

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of

the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered.

The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October 2012, in Conference Room E (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 16 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Tuesday, 16 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

Wednesday, 17 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Wednesday, 17 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*

Thursday, 18 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Thursday, 18 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

The Regional Courses in International Law (RCIL) provide high-quality training by leading scholars and practitioners on a broad range of core subjects of international law, as well as specific subjects of particular interest to developing countries in a given region. The Regional Courses also provide an opportunity for the participants to focus on contemporary issues of international law in the region with a view to promoting greater understanding and cooperation on such issues.

The Regional Course in International Law for Asia-Pacific Group is scheduled to be held in Thailand in November 2012. The participants for this Regional Course have been selected from the following Members States of the Asia-Pacific Group: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Oman, Philippines, Qatar, Samoa, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, Tuvalu and Viet Nam.

The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is seeking contributions from Member States for the Regional Courses. For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6971).

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 22 August 2012

Security Council

6824th meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Jeffrey Feltman, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Jeffrey Feltman.

General Assembly

Open-ended Working Group on Ageing for the purpose of strengthening the protection of the human rights of older persons
Third working session

3rd meeting

The Chair (Argentina) opened the meeting

Existing international framework on the human rights of older persons and identification of existing gaps at the international level . . . . . [4]

Expert panel discussion

The Open-ended Working Group continued its consideration of the item and held a panel discussion on "Autonomy, Independent Living and Healthcare", which was moderated by Ms. Natjat El Mekkaoui (Member at the National Council of Human Rights, Morocco).

The Open-ended Working Group heard presentations by the following panellists: Ms. Amanda McRae, Disability Rights Researcher, Human Rights Watch; Mr. Horst Krumbach, Nursing Home Administrator (Germany); and Ms. Nena Georgantzi, Legal and Research Officer at AGE Platform Europe.

An interactive dialogue ensued in which the panelists responded to comments and questions posed by the representatives of: Germany, Argentina, Netherlands, Brazil, Costa Rica, Israel, Togo, Austria and Sweden, as well as the representative of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.

The following non-governmental organizations also participated in the interactive dialogue: HelpAge International; Loreto Community; Open Society Foundations International Palliative Care Initiative; International Federation on Ageing; National Alliance for Caregiving (United States); World Network of Users and Survivors of Psychiatry; International Association of Homes and Services for the Ageing; International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse; and the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

4th meeting

The Vice-Chair (Luxembourg) opened the meeting.

Existing international framework on the human rights of older persons and identification of existing gaps at the international level . . . . . [4]

Expert panel discussion

The Open-ended Working Group continued its consideration of the item and held a panel discussion on "Life in Dignity, Social Security and Access to Resources", which was moderated by Ms. Louise Richardson (Vice-President AGE Platform Europe), who made a statement.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Ms. Anne-Mette Kjaer Hesselager, Head of Section, Law and International, Danish Ministry of Social Affairs and Integration (Denmark); Mr. Alejandro Morlacchetti, Professor of Economic, Social and Cultural rights at the University of La Plata (Argentina); and Ms. Najat El Mekkaoui, Member at the International Council of Human Rights (Morocco).

An interactive dialogue ensued in which the panellists responded to comments and questions posed by the representatives of: Germany, Malaysia, China, Togo, Israel, Japan, Uruguay, Sudan, Ghana, El Salvador, Canada, Chile, Brazil and Costa Rica.

The following non-governmental organizations also participated in the interactive dialogue: Global Action on Aging; HelpAge International; New Future Foundation; International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse; FADOQ Network; Loreto Community; and International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Corrigendum to the summary of the 2nd meeting of the third working session of the Open-ended Working Group (see *Journal* No. 2012/161, p. 15): The fifth paragraph under agenda item 4 (Existing international framework on the human rights of older persons and identification of existing gaps at the international level), *should read* as follows:

> The following non-governmental organizations also participated in the interactive dialogue: FECRIS (European Federation of Centres of Research and Information on Sectarianism); HelpAge International; ACAMAGE (Cameroon); International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, Inc. (INPEA) (Argentina); New Future Foundation; Gray Panthers; Global Action on Aging; and Dementia SA (South Africa).

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *August 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Burkina Faso
H.E. Mr. Der Kogda

Asia-Pacific States:
Marshall Islands
H.E. Ms. Amatlain Elizabeth Kabua

Eastern European States:
Armenia
H.E. Mr. Garen Nazarian

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Jamaica
H.E. Mr. Raymond Wolfe

Western European and other States:
Andorra
H.E. Mr. Narcís Casal de Fonsdeviela

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (room S-2472; tel. 1 (212) 963-5258; fax 1 (917) 367-0406).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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